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New U.S. Patent Application
Title: PATTERN MEASURING APPARATUS, PATTERN MEASURING
METHOD, AND MANUFACTURING METHOD OF
SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE
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Sir:

We enclose the following papers for filing in the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above patent application.

1. Application- 30 pages, including 6 independent claims and 20 claims total.
2. Drawings- 7 sheets of formal drawings containing 27 figures. (Figures 1-17).
3. Certified copy of Japanese Application No. 2003-083324, filed March 25, 2003.
4. Information Disclosure Statement and Information Disclosure Citation, PTO 1449 with 2 documents attached.
5. The filing fee is calculated as follows:

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| Total Claims | 20 | - | 20 | | x \$18 | |
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This application is being filed under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(f).
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Applicants claim the right to priority based on Japanese Application No. 2003-
083324, filed March 25, 2003.

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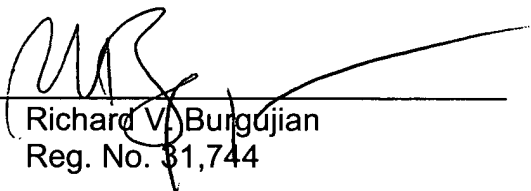
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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional filing fees due and any other fees due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or §1.17 during the pendency of this application to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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